

Additional scenes from the "title sponsor" monument unveiling at Elba's Tiger Town Park



It's Time Title Parents & Grandparents of District One's Children Were Represented On the Board of Education BY A Parent

Our daughters, Hannah and Heidi, are the center of our world, and my wife and I are devoted to seeing their needs met and their best interests fulfilled. I am only interested in improving our Schools - for my children, for your children, and for ALL of Coffee County's children.

I am the only candidate representing District One in this year's Board of Education race to combine all of the following qualities:

- *I am an alumnus of the Coffee County School System.
- *My wife is an alumna of the Coffee County School System.
- *I have lived my entire life in Coffee County's District One.
- *I have a certified teacher rated "Highly Qualified" by the State of Alabama.
- *I have genuine, real-world, present-day teaching experience in Alabama's public schools.
- *Our children are fourth-generation members of our family attending Coffee County Schools.

I am the voice of parental concern, educational background, and REAL experience dealing with the problems our children face each day. It would be an honor to serve you as your representative to the Coffee County Board of Education. I will fight FOR you, I will listen TO you, and I will be right there WITH you in EVERY situation, because our children will be sitting in the classroom right beside your children. With your support, we can make a difference in our children's schools.



Because parents know what's best for their children, and parents should be the ones making the decisions about our children's future.

Joseph "Joey" Arnold
Coffee County Board of Education District One
The Vision for Our Children's Future

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Look Who's
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Love, Mama and Daddy

LORDY

Montgomery nurse with ties to Elba dies following assault and robbery

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Currently, there are 11 capital plan projects already in progress. With the approval of the FY2009 Capital Plan last week, the next project in line will be additions at Zion Chapel School to include more classrooms and the construction of a new band room.

Dr. Ingram said this school continues to grow and is up 55 students this new school year.

"If we don't start planning for the growth, we're going to end up in portables again," said Ingram. "I don't think this band room is not sufficient for the current size of the band."

"It's exciting to say we need to build because of growth," Dr. Ingram said.

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Coffee County BOE approves FY2009 budget

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Members of the Coffee County Board of Education met Thursday, Sept. 11, and voted unanimously to approve the Fiscal Year 2009 budget.

After holding two required public hearings and upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram board members voted to approve the budget as presented. Following the board's action, Dr. Ingram said she especially wanted to say "thank you" to Glenda Glass, the school system's chief financial officer, for her work in preparing the budget. She said Glass had worked long and hard and did an outstanding job. Board members echoed Ingram's comments.

The approved FY2009 budget included \$10,293,098 in total funding. The total expenditures were \$22,257,814 with other fund sources equaling \$1,132,198. (This included \$1,087,198 for 2008 leveraged funds.)

One item in the budget that brought a smile to the faces of the superintendent and board members was the debt service line item. This column was zeroed out because the school system does not owe a bond issue locally.

Also during last Thursday's meeting, board members voted to approve the FY2009 Capital Plan for the school system.

Wayne Wicker was a brother to Robert Howard and Mrs. Arthur D. Smith, both of Elba.

Police reports and family members relate that Brenda and her husband Johnny had just pulled into their driveway Thursday evening after eating out at an area restaurant when three young men walked up to their car.

The first thing Mr. Sherard knew, there was a pistol pointed at his face. One of the robbers took his wallet and discarded it in disgust after discovering it contained no money.

Mrs. Sherard started screaming for help as they attempted to take her purse, which contained keys to some secure lockers at the dormitory. A neighbor down the street walked outside and one of the robbers fired a shot into the air as they ran away.

Mr. Sherard ran around the car to find his wife lying on the ground bloodied from an obvious pistol whipping. She later died.

Police have no suspects but are following several leads.

board wants that."

Dr. Ingram also said there is a definite need for a new band room at Zion Chapel. The band has increased from 30-something members last year to 65 members this year, and the superintendent said the current band room is not sufficient for the current size of the band.

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To be shown in Times Square on Sunday, September 28th
NDSS video features Elba's Joseph Cline



Joseph Cline (left) will appear Sunday, Sept. 28, in a video production by the National Down Syndrome Society that will be shown on a larger life plasma screen in New York City's Times Square. Joseph is the son of Joel and Ann Cline of Elba. Pictured above with Joseph is his sister, Grace.

as they celebrate favorite "Buddies" of the Wiregrass and look to the future for Down syndrome.

Call Anne Cline (334) 897-1118, or email: <wiregrassbuddywalk@live.com> for more information.

family invite friends to attend

Knology and FRIENDS (Friends Reaching Influencing, Educating and Networking for Down syndrome) will hold the First Annual Wiregrass Awareness Month, which includes the 2008 Buddy Walk. This year, the walk will be held in more than 275 cities across the country, as

well as international walks.

The video production, coordinated by NDSS, illustrates children, teens and adults with Down syndrome working, playing and learning with family and friends. This video can also be found in the coming year on the national Buddy Walk website, <www.buddywalk.org>.

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Heard on the street last week . . . "It's hard not to like Sarah Palin. Call me smitten, but there's something about a beauty pageant winner who can field dress a moose, be the star of the basketball team, raise five children and still dazzle Americans in the political arena". She is given credit for the McCain ticket jumping into the popular vote lead in most recent polls. One national polling report we watch regularly actually had the McCain ticket leading by a few votes in the Electoral College delegates during the past weekend. Another (Alabama) poll shows the McCain/Palin ticket jumping over eight points more than the Obama/Biden ticket, yet these same people felt Senator Joe Biden was more qualified to be president than Sarah Palin. It confirms our thoughts that the only poll which really counts is the one actual voters cast on election day!

It is still too early to judge Sarah Palin's long time national appeal, but thus far she is ahead of the game and all efforts to cut her down appear to backfire. There are some cracks showing up in her armor but the flaws (or fingers pointing to them) just seems to solidify and widen her support. People see she is human, makes mistakes just like the rest of us and is willing to admit it. Americans can relate to the making of mistakes and thus far have embraced her for being so open. Still . . . it seems too good to be true . . . a national political figure U.S. voters actually like!!!

It is a bit maddening to read newspaper articles and/or watch TV videos of rescuers snatching thousands and thousands of people from Texas floodwaters. Our thoughts are "they saw it coming and should have left before the storm hit". However there is another side for many of those people. They simply don't have the financial ability to drive hundreds of miles, rent motels, buy food, etc., and then return home after the crisis has passed. It is the old story of being one pay check away from bankruptcy. You see pictures of those disadvantaged who tried to leave and are stranded beside the roadside, sitting at service stations, etc., for days, all trying to figure out a way to get gas money to proceed. We don't have an answer to all this, but do suggest our readers join us in being a bit less judgemental unless all the details are known on a particular person's situation.

We try to spare our readers so much about our grandchildren, but it is hard. Grandmama and granddaddy are part of the normal gloating older generation and enjoying it. We share the emotions of most other grandparents in having loving pride for our grands. However we stop at times and wish we could go back to this same stage with our own children. The resolve would be to make one less dumb mistake in raising them and to spend one more hour, or one more day letting them know how much each of them is loved.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Dept., beginning Monday, Sept. 8, investigated the following incidents: one house fire, two for unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle, five for theft of property; three private property accidents, five for burglary, one harassing communications, two domestic disputes, one criminal trespassing, one civil dispute, two for harassment, one assault and one menacing.

The following arrests were made: three for failure to appear and one for theft of property. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: seven for not wearing a seat belt, two for an expired tag, three for no insurance, three for a suspended driver's license, one for not using a child restraint, one for violation of the noise ordinance, one for failure to display insurance, one for driving without first obtaining a driver's license, one for running a stop sign and one for a revoked driver's license. Daily activity highlights were as follows:

MONDAY, SEPT. 8 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 42 County Rd. 330 (2:32 p.m.); Elba Fire dispatched to a house fire at Durham St. (11:16 p.m.).
TUESDAY, SEPT. 9 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to County Rd. 114 (1:54 a.m.).
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10 - Wreck reported on the Troy Hwy. in front of Windham Lumber (9:01 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck on Harper Dr. (10:17 p.m.).
SUNDAY, SEPT. 14 - Fight re-

Shuffling Through Our Files... (News Taken From Past Editions of The Elba Clipper)**10 Years Ago**

* **County school system regular session** - The Coffee County School Board met in regular session last Thursday and wasted little time in getting through its 16-item agenda. Most of last Thursday's business dealt with routine matters such as out-of-state travel, accepting bids on building maintenance, and presentations. Two members of the local press, Shelley Brainerd with The Enterprise Ledger and Marvin McIlwain, editor of The Elba Clipper, were presented resolutions placing them on the Alabama Association of School Boards' statewide Media Honor Roll. The two reporters were recognized by the board for their balanced and accurate reporting of challenging facing schools and the achievements of both teachers and students.

* **First Assembly of God to host senior Saturday trips** - Elba First Assembly of God will begin a series of "Super Senior Saturdays," where seniors will take trips to annual area festivals. Each Saturday, Sept. 26 - Oct. 17, the group will meet at the church at 7:30 a.m., have a continental breakfast, board the church van for the trip, have lunch and return in the afternoon. Anyone over the age of 50 is invited to join the "prime timers" for a day of gathering.

* **Elba Tigers blank Luverne 14-0** - The Elba Tigers journal

opened law offices in Elba, upstairs over the Peoples Bank Building. Butts and his wife, both natives of Crenshaw County and graduates of the Luverne schools, are living on North Claxton Street in the former home of Dr. and Mrs. Bryan Taylor. Mrs. Butts is teaching school in the public schools of Troy.

* **Elba Tigers Defeat Opp By Guy Hunt To Be Elba**

Guy Hunt, the Republican candidate for Governor, makes a swing through South Alabama this week and his stops will include one in Elba today (Thursday) at 2:00 p.m. The former Cullman County Probate Judge stated that he intends to keep his campaign into every county of the state. He is facing a number of challenges facing schools and the achievements of both teachers and students.

* **New Army Dedicated By Guard**

The new Army dedicated by General Henry B. Gray III, and Mayor Robert Folsom speaking at the ceremony.

40 Years Ago

* **Fred Moore elected new mayor by 30-vote margin**

- Elba voters again went to the polls in record numbers Tuesday to elect Fred Moore mayor in the municipal run-off election.

The September election attracted 1567 voters, a record

when 1690 voters expressed

their preferences and put a new mayor in office.

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* **Elba Girls Who Rose to Top**

Mrs. Arquilla, who visited recently with her husband N.L. Arquilla, is described in the column as follows: "Carol Arquilla is a young woman who joined the Zenith Radio Corporation 11 years ago as a lacer in television and radio assembly. In 1955 she was transferred from the factory to the office where she was placed in the purchasing department. A native of Alabama, she graduated from the Elba, Ala. High School."

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COADIE B. NELSON

Mr. Coadie B. Nelson, age 90, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, at the Elba Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Sept. 11, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home with friend Bill Redd officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

The family requested that those wishing to make memorial contributions make them in care of the Elba Senior Citizen Center.

Mr. Nelson's wife, Maureen Nelson, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his daughter, Gloria (husband Ronny) Jimrig and son, Bruce (Sheila) Nelson, both of Elba; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Sue (Caldwell) Vaughan, Elba; son, Murry (wife Ann Prentiss); daughter, Carol Vaughan (husband John Frank Kendrick), Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Vicki Vaughan (husband Charles Anderson) McGahee, Birmingham; and five brothers, Gregory Caldwell (Nedra), Chicago, Joseph Caldwell, Kenneth Pearson (Tonya), Michael Harris (Sharon) and MacKeith Pearson.

OSCAR VAUGHAN JR.

Mr. Oscar Vaughan Jr., age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, at the Elba Exchange Bank.

He was born June 10, 1927 in Basscom, Fla.

Mr. Vaughan joined Elba Exchange Bank in 1951 as a teller. He graduated from LSU School of Banking in 1960, and at the age of 37, was named President of Elba Exchange Bank in 1964 and Chairman of the Board in 1985.

In 1971 the Alabama Banker's Association named Oscar Vaughan Coffee County Key Banker.

Mr. Vaughan was a member of Elba United Methodist Church and served on the Administrative Board. He was

a member of the Rotary Club, Elba City School Board, serving as treasurer, the Elba City Light and Water Board, the Industrial Board, the Elba Windham Power Lifts Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors of First Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Survivors include his wife, Steve McQueen Pearson, age 41, died Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Fla.

Funeral services were held Sept. 13, 2008 at Sun Light Covenant Church, Crestview, Fla., with Pastor Alvin E. Smith officiating. Burial followed with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba directing.

The family requested that those wishing to make memorial contributions make them in care of the Elba Senior Citizen Center.

Mr. Pearson's wife, Maureen Pearson, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his sisters, Glenda Caldwell, Cleveland, Ohio, Jacqueline Bell (Willie) Michelle Smiley, Florida, Ala., Kaye Pearson, Chicago, Ill., Beverly Pearson (Tony), Mr. Vaughan was preceded in death by his parents Oscar and Myrtle Olive Vaughan, his sister Miriam Vaughan Kennedy, and his brother Billy Leonard Vaughan, M.D.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Sue (Caldwell) Vaughan, Elba; son, Murry (wife Ann Prentiss); daughter, Carol Vaughan (husband John Frank Kendrick), Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Vicki Vaughan (husband Charles Anderson) McGahee, Birmingham; and five brothers, Gregory Caldwell (Nedra), Chicago, Joseph Caldwell, Kenneth Pearson (Tonya), Michael Harris (Sharon) and MacKeith Pearson.

WILSON BEAN

Mr. Wilson Bean, age 70, died Sunday, Sept. 7, 2008, in Elba.

Funeral services were held Sept. 12, 2008 from the Chapel of Coleman Funeral Home, Elba, Ala., with Pastor Alvin E. Smith officiating. Burial followed with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Mr. Bean was preceded in death by both parents, Mr. John Wilson Bean and Gertrude

Dear Editor,

Having a stack of tin lying in the street next to the curb (LOL). I moved it. Keep up the good work old friend. We appreciate the job you do.

With Best Regards,

Lyne Davis

Dear Linda,

Every year about this time, the Evergreen Cemetery Committee conducts a mail out and fund drive to seek donations for the upkeep of the cemetery. Evergreen Cemetery has a perpetual fund, but the interest from these funds is not enough to properly care for the cemetery. This additional funding comes from lot sales, memorial gifts, and donations.

If any of your readers would like to contribute to the cemetery with a donation, they can send it to:

Evergreen Cemetery
C/O City of Elba
200 Buford Street
Elba, AL 36323

The Cemetery Committee welcomes any suggestions or comments, negative or positive, that anyone has about the cemetery.

Sincerely,

Herby McCall, Chairman

Evergreen Cemetery Committee

Dear Editor,

The great-granddaughters of John Wesley "Papa" Daniels are looking for other family members and relatives of Tommy Daniels, Major Daniels, Sam Daniels, Maggie Daniels Long, Gloria Daniels Mann, Liza Daniels, Emma Daniels Coleman, Henrietta Daniels Brownson, and Ella Daniels Stewart, in hope of forming a family reunion. If interested or know of anyone, please contact Gayle Jordan:

(334) 897-6466.

Sincerely,

Linda Hooks

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STEVE McQUEEN PEARSON

Mr. Steve McQueen Pearson, age 41, died Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Fla.

Survivors include his wife: William Bean; daughters: Annie Gray and Sarah (Greg) Loman; granddaughter: Marika (Hortense) Harris; son: Bruce (Hortense) Harris; and brother: Will Bean.

Mr. Pearson was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

Survivors include his sisters: Glenda Caldwell, Cleveland, Ohio, Jacqueline Bell (Willie) Michelle Smiley, Florida, Ala., died recently in her home.

LIFESTYLES

Gibson-Quincey wedding planned for Saturday, October 11th in Enterprise



Mr. and Mrs. Tim and Kim Gibson of Enterprise announce the engagement of their daughter, Hali Elise, to Nicholas Andrew Quincey, son of Clifford and Mary Quincey of Enterprise.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Ronnie and Sheila Danford of Enterprise and Edsel and Mary Gibson of Enterprise. She is the great-granddaughter of O.T. and Margaret Dykes of Enterprise and Mrs. Blodell Danford of New Brockton. She is a 2005 valedictorian of Enterprise High School and attends Troy University where she is pursuing a degree in Elementary Education.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Charles and Cleo Hatch of Trenton, Fla. and Mrs. Peggy Quincey and the late Clyde Quincey of Trenton, Fla., sons of Victor and St. Simons Island, Ga. recently celebrated their 5th and 4th birthdays.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, October 11, 2008 at 3 p.m., at New Home Baptist Church, Enterprise.

A reception will follow at the home of the bride. Family and friends are invited.

The wedding is held for county Kindergarten students and preschool age children. The objective of this program is to promote a better understanding of our sources for food and fiber and to provide an opportunity for children to experience hands-on contact with farm animals and plants which provide food and fiber.

Livestock and Ag exhibits will include, but not be limited to, horticultural plants, vegetables, cotton, peanuts, cot, hogs, and baby chicks.

The tours will begin at 8:30 and continue through 11:00.

Annual Farm City Ag Exhibit and Petting Zoo to be held September 23 & 24

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The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama to meet Sunday, September 21

The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama will have a general membership meeting at the Tribal Church, 2778 County Rd 5, Kinston, Alabama 36453 on September 21.

Subject for discussion include assistance with cooling bills. Participants must bring a current bill, roll cards, social security numbers for all household members and proof of income for all household members.

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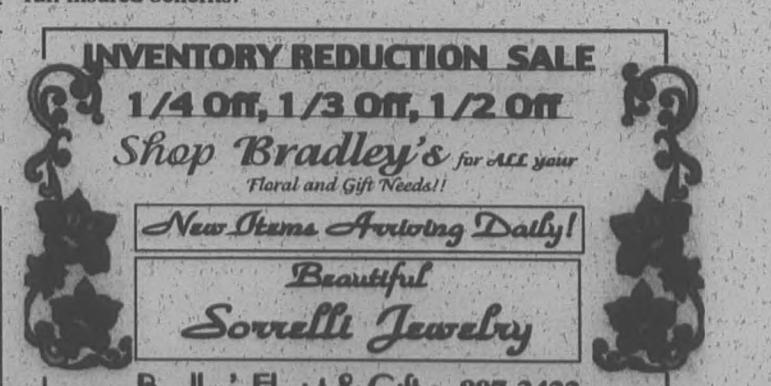
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Deadline For Lifestyles News Is Monday!

LIFESTYLES

Gibson-Quincey wedding planned for Saturday, October 11th in Enterprise

Mr. and Mrs. Tim and Kim Gibson of Enterprise announce the engagement of their daughter, Hali Elise, to Nicholas Andrew Quincey, son of Clifford and Mary Quincey of Enterprise.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Ronnie and Sheila Danford of Enterprise and Edsel and Mary Gibson of Enterprise. She is the great-granddaughter of O.T. and Margaret Dykes of Enterprise and Mrs. Blodell Danford of New Brockton. She is a 2005 valedictorian of Enterprise High School and attends Troy University where she is pursuing a degree in Elementary Education.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Charles and Cleo Hatch of Trenton, Fla. and Mrs. Peggy Quincey and the late Clyde Quincey of Trenton, Fla., sons of Victor and St. Simons Island, Ga. recently celebrated their 5th and 4th birthdays.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, October 11, 2008 at 3 p.m., at New Home Baptist Church, Enterprise.

A reception will follow at the home of the bride. Family and friends are invited.

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

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John Wise is 5 yrs. old on August 8 and Ellis is 4 yrs. old September 8.

John Wise had a Spiderman themed birthday party with Spidey in attendance. Party guests were served a Spiderman birthday cake and fruit juice.

They enjoyed games, playing in a water slide, and a Spiderman piñata.

Ellis had a pirate themed birthday party with a pirate in attendance. Party guests were served a pirate birthday cake and fruit juice.

They enjoyed decorating a pirate treasure box, going on a treasure hunt, and a pirate piñata.

John Wise and Ellis have an older brother, Joseph Brantley, 9 years old and a baby sister, Mary Whitney, 2 yrs old.

The birthday boys are the grandsons of Ronia Long, St. Simons Island, Ga.; John Long, Ormond Beach, Fla.; Robin Earl and Shirley Morgan, Enterprise; and the late James J. Wise, Jr., Elba.

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SPORTS

VIEWS FROM.... THE PRESSBOX

BY RICKY MULARZ, SPORTS EDITOR

My wife and exchange student went up to Troy University last weekend to watch the football game and visit with our daughters, but saw much more of the same than she did the girls. Our oldest daughter Melissa and her baby brother had to go to town on the campus while our youngest daughter Malanie had to go to town on the campus in the morning, escort special guests to their seats prior to the game and then help those guests in the pressbox suites when the game started. There was time to do a little talking, but that was about it until late at night when we finally got back with them on their cell phones. For the Mularz girls college is far more than just fun and games!

Elba Tigers remain undefeated....The Elba Tigers remained undefeated and upped their record to 3-0 this week with a 48-13 win over last previous undefeated Barbour County. The Tigers scored on four of five first half possessions to grab a 27-7 halftime lead, then scored on their first two possessions of the second half to take a 41-13 lead.

Elba's spread offense again worked as designed as both Michael Lindsey and Carlos Matias gained over 100 yards and combined for four touchdowns, while Lindsey also passed for over 100 yards and two more scores. When Barbour County would clog the middle Lindsey would take off around the corner, and when it would try to stop Lindsey by spreading out Matias would barrel up the middle for big chunks of yardage. When Barbour County would sell out to stop the run Lindsey would pass for big gains. Friday night Elba's offense was a three-pronged monster and the result was 48 points and a big region win.

The Elba defense gave up almost 200 yards on the ground and even in the big win wasn't as impressive in weeks past. Barbour County seemed to be running downhill on a number of occasions and averaged over eight yards per carry, and hopefully the success on the ground was due to a problem with the Tiger alignment and effort and not Barbour County exposing a weakness on the defense. Hey, it was a big win and kept the Tigers unbeaten as they work toward their goal of winning the region and hosting a first round playoff game. Right now it's time to be a Tiger and a Tiger fan!

It wasn't the best of weeks....It wasn't the best of weeks for the teams in the area as only the Brantley Bulldogs were able to claim a win against region opponents. Here's a quick look back at the week that was for area teams...

*** Brantley (3-0) gave up an early score to Flora and then took command as the Bulldogs rolled to a 46-10 win. Anthony Gulliford and Chase Hall continued to lead the offense up and down the field, while the Bulldog defense made plays when it had to and turned in a winning performance. The one negative was in the kicking game where the Bulldogs missed three extra-points. That stat could come back and bite the Dogs if not corrected.

*** Kinston (0-3) finally got on the scoreboard for the first time this season, but it was far from enough to make a difference as Providence Christian 51-8 pounded the Bulldogs. The Bulldogs have allowed a average of 52 points a game in their opening three losses and scored a total of eight, which makes it pretty clear just why the men in orange and blue have struggled. If Kinston can get well on defense there is a chance for a win or two in the coming weeks. If not the losses will simply mount.

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The bulldogs from down near the county line will take a trip hunting for a litter of kitties that stay near the state line and are confident that it will be a successful trip. While the kitties haven't been known to put up much of a fight so far this hunting season, they will be at home for the first time and may have a few surprises for the pups.

FLORALA 20 KINSTON 8

BRANTLEY VS. ARITON

The bulldogs from across the river will have to leave the pound this weekend if they are to find a litter of purple kitties that have been running wild near the four lane over in Dale County. The dogs will be hungry and a little sore from the long trip, but once they spot the kitties they should live up and have fun chasing them all over the field.

BRANTLEY 34 ARITON 16

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Georgiana 24 Frisco City 12
Geneva County 27 Providence Christian 24

Maplesville 64 John Essex 6
McKenzie 39 Pleasant Home 18

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NEW BROCKTON VS. COTTONWOOD

ZION CHAPEL VS. KEITH

The troops from Fort Jack will head out for a weekend trip to West Alabama hunting bear and need to make certain their muskets are loaded and there is plenty of ammunition before they arrive at the cave. These bears have been kind of scrawny in years past, but have fattened up in recent weeks and could be hard to handle if the first shot misses its mark.

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News from
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New school year brings changes with Career Tech programs at EHS

by Kiera Robertson

People often wonder where students learn the skills and gain the valuable hands-on experience required for a variety of high-paying professions. The answer is simple: in any of Alabama's career/technical education programs.

Alabama Career/Technical Education (CTE) is a statewide program designed to prepare students for college and a variety of career opportunities in the fields of agriculture, business/marketing, family and consumer sciences, welding and technical education. This is accomplished by providing hands-on experience, internships, apprenticeships, and cooperative education.

Students who take the right classes and the correct paths could graduate with various certifications in those fields, which gives those students a significant edge in the competitive workplace. Career/Technology graduates, such as welders, can start out making at least \$20 an hour doing a welding job just in the local factories.

The Elba High School Career/Technology department has seen many changes over the summer. Long time auto-technology instructor and career technology coordinator, Larry Goodson, a business technology instructor, Ingrid Clark, both retired from the Elba City School System. First time teachers, Phillip Adcock, auto-technology, and Betsy White, business technology, were hired to fill the vacancies.

History teacher Ricky Carlie was hired as the new Career/Technology coordinator. He is in charge of the whole CTE program at EHS.

After attending the Alabama Career/Technical Summer Conference in July, the Elba High School Career/Technology

teachers began working to make transitions into the new career clustering program that will be taught across the state.

Even students with very busy schedules can find a time to take one of the Career/Tech classes, whether it's family/consumer sciences, welding-tech, auto-tech, or any of the other several options offered at Elba High School. This past summer, students from the Elba City School System, as many systems much larger do not have the variety of options in the Career/Tech fields that are offered at EHS.

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FCCLA plans for upcoming year

by Richi Singletary

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is a nonprofit national career and technical student organization for young men and women in Family and Consumer Sciences education in public and private schools throughout the United States.

The Elba High School FCCLA organization, sponsored by Christina Whitlock, plans to compete in the upcoming Peanut Festival recipe and sewing contests as well as the school organization booth competition. Plans are also in the works to attend the National Cluster Meeting in Jacksonville, Florida.

Several community based events are also on the calendar for the FCCLA program such as hosting a booth at the Elba Downtown Fall Festival and a seatbelt safety campaign.

FCCLA officers for the 2008-2009 school year are as follows:

Jordan McBride, president; Kolen Burrows, vice president; Shadrae Reed, secretary; Janae Carney, treasurer; Marita Lewis, historian; and Cynnricka Dean, parliamentarian.

With this leadership, FCCLA is looking to be a great success this year.

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Nail Fungus: Nail fungus (<http://www.webmd.com/skin-problems-and-treatments/c/fungal-nail-infections-topic-overview>), or onychomycosis, is a condition that occurs when a microscopic fungus enters either a fingernail or toenail. Fungal infections occur in toenails more often than in fingernails. Anyone can get nail fungus, but infections are more common in people over the age of 60. Nail fungus is especially common in people with diabetes (<http://diabetes.webmd.com/default.htm>) or circulation problems. For people who have diabetes or a weakened immune system, nail fungus can present serious risks.

What Causes Nail Fungus? Usually, nail fungus occurs when fungus enters the nail through a small trauma (cut or break) in the nail. Nail fungus is not caused by poor hygiene. Nail fungus can be spread from person to person. If you notice an infected nail, don't pick at it or even trim it, as both of these activities can cause the fungus to spread. It may be hard to determine exactly where to trim if a fungal infection is obtained. However, a warm, wet place (for example, a locker room) is a good place for a fungus to grow.

What Are the Symptoms of Nail Fungus? A nail fungus infection can make your nails thick and discolored. Uncommonly, you may feel pain in your toes or fingernails.

How Is Nail Fungus Diagnosed? Your doctor may be able to tell if you have a nail fungus infection by looking carefully at your nails. He or she may scrape some tissue from your nail and send it to a lab in order to determine for certain what kind of infection you have.

How Is Nail Fungus Treated? Treatment may include topical creams or oral medications (antifungal drugs), but topical antifungal agents may only help treat very mild cases. Rarely, surgery may be required. Removal of the infected nail can be performed to permit direct application of a topical antifungal.

Toenail infections are more difficult to treat than fingernail infections because the toenail grows more slowly. In addition, a damp, warm environment of a shoe or boot can encourage fungal growth.

How Can I Prevent Getting Nail Fungus?

- Avoid walking barefoot in public areas, such as locker rooms
- Keep the inside of your shoes dry and change your socks frequently (100% cotton socks recommended)
- Wear proper fitting shoes (shoes with a wide toe area and ones that don't press your toes)
- Use absorbent or antifungal powder

Ingrown Toenails: Ingrown toenails can occur when the corner or side of the nail grows into the flesh of the toe. In many cases, ingrown nails occur in the big toe. The end result of this common condition is pain, redness and swelling. Infection can occur in some cases.

What Causes Ingrown Toenails? Some common causes of ingrown toenails (<http://www.webmd.com/conditions-treatments/understanding-ingrown-toe-nails>) include cutting the nail too short or not straight across, injury to the toenail, and wearing shoes that crowd the toenail.

How Can Ingrown Toenails Be Treated? In mild cases, ingrown toenails may be treated with a 15-30-minute soak in warm water. Dry cotton can be placed under the corner of the nail. Talk to your doctor if you are experiencing increasing pain, swelling and drainage of the area. Minor surgery can be performed to remove the part of the nail that is poking into the skin.

How Can Ingrown Toenails Be Prevented? You can prevent ingrown toenails by:

- Wearing shoes that fit properly
- Keeping your toenails at a moderate length and trimming them straight across
- Wearing protective footwear

Grandparent's Day observed at Elba Elementary School

Elba Elementary School observed Grandparent's Day on Tuesday, Sept. 9.

Over 150 grandparents enjoyed visiting the classroom and watching what their grandchildren do at school each day. Many shared with students about the days when they were in school.

The grandparents then enjoyed refreshments that were provided by the Elba Elementary School P.T.O.

Serving as honorary grandparents on this special day were ladies that are part of the Foster Grandparent Program and work at Elba Elementary School each day. These ladies assist with special needs children and work individually with students during the school day. They are a valuable resource to the students and the staff at the school.

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Volleyball season well underway for Elba Lady Tigers

by Kiera Robertson

The volleyball teams at Elba High School and their coaches, Amanda Martin and Lucy Ward, deserve special recognition for their hard work and admirable accomplishments.

The team spent a large part of the summer vacation participating in summer workouts and conditioning. Also during the summer, the varsity team attended a team camp at Troy University, while the junior varsity team attended a day camp at Clinton High School.

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Pictured left to right: LaKesha Brackins - E.E.S. Principal, Francis Wade, Gussie Adams, Doris Waters, Annette Branson, Mary Brown, and Michelle Hudson - E.E.S. P.T.O. President. Not pictured: Vera Atmore

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Elba's Derick Thomas enjoying senior year as starting long snapper for Troy Trojans

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba's Derick Thomas started all 12 games as the long snapper for the Troy Trojans during the 2007 football season. He returns this year in his senior season as the starting long snapper for the Trojans and may also see some time at tight end.

Thomas walked-on to the Trojan team in Spring 2005 and worked to earn the backup spot as long snapper in 2006. After the starting long snapper graduated in '06, Thomas said he earned the #1 spot as long snapper and received a football scholarship.

The Trojans opened the 2008 season with a win against Middle Tennessee, and the next scheduled game (LSU) was postponed due to Hurricane Gustav. That game has been rescheduled to Nov. 15th.

Last Saturday, Sept. 13, the Trojans played their home opener for the 2008 season at Movie Gallery Stadium in Troy. In front of a crowd of more than 22,000 fans, the Trojans dominated the Alcorn State Braves with a 65-0 win.

Prior to last Saturday's game, Thomas said he was looking forward to the opening home game and felt it would give the Trojans a chance to get better as a team. He said the game would allow the team to work on areas that needed it.

While these days Thomas spends the majority of his time on the field as long snapper for the Trojans, he saw action in several different positions in high school. As standout player for the Elba Tigers, Thomas played on the offensive and de-



Derick Thomas
Troy Trojans (#42)

fensive lines but also served his team at times as linebacker, tight end, kicker and fullback. During his high school career, he recorded 65 tackles including nine for losses and received the Earl McCollough Memorial Award for pride and dedication.

The Trojans next home game will be Saturday, Oct. 18, versus Florida International.



Derick Thomas (#42) serves as the starting long snapper for the Troy Trojans. He says he is living a dream to play college football, and he plans to soak it all up in his senior year. Derick is the son of Freddie and Deanne Thomas of Elba.

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She added that the board also might need to look at an additional gym area in with these additions at Zion Chapel.

After the additions at Zion Chapel, the next item on the Capital Plan looks at bathrooms renovations at the schools.

Board members approved the capital plan as presented but noted it was a work-in-progress

and can be changed at any time as needs see fit. After board members approved the Capital Plan, Dr. Ingram did note that since 2005 the Coffee County School System is nearly at spending approximately \$10 million on the school facilities with no debt service.

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